

Prayer in preparation for Synod 2021

Father, we thank you for the love you have shown us in the gift of Jesus, your Son.

We thank you for the gift of the Church, through which you show us that you are always with us and are always at work in our lives.

As we journey together to Synod 2020 help us to become the Church that you are calling us to be.

May your Holy Spirit be powerfully at work among us. Strengthen each of us and guide Francis, our Pope and Malcolm, our Archbishop. Help us to respond to the challenges of our times in new ways, to bring your love to all our sisters and brothers.

We make this prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

St. John Henry Newman,
Pray for us.

Parish Priest: Father Colin Fealey

Deacons: Rev. Adrian Anwyl
Rev. Sean O'Donovan
Rev. Tony Downes

The Sanctuary Lamp, Blessed Virgin Mary Lamp and St. Paschal Baylon Lamp can be lit for your intentions. Please contact the parish office—donation £5.

Office Hours

Monday 9am-3.45pm ,
Tuesday 9am-2.45pm
Thursday 9am-1pm and Friday 9am-3.45pm
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Parish Centres

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Gift Aid

Anyone who pays tax can Gift Aid to the parish. For every £1 you give the parish can claim 25p from the HMRC with no expense to you. Standing orders can be organised via the parish office.



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20th December, 2020
Fourth Sunday of Advent
Year B Psalter Week 4

"Hail, full of grace! The Lord is with you." But she was greatly troubled at what was said and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favour with God. "Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give him the throne of David his father, and he will rule over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end."

This weekend we warmly welcome Bishop Tom Williams who will here for visitation



Fourth Sunday of Advent

We apologise when times and Mass intentions occasionally need to be changed at short notice for Requiem Masses etc.

Saturday	19th	5.30pm	Jim Prendergast RIP
Sunday	20th	9.30am	People of the Parish
		11.00am	Martin Eccles
Monday	21st	7.00pm	Jan Clarke RIP
Tuesday	22nd	9.10am	Barratt Family intentions
Wednesday	23rd	7.00am	Lottie Colette Allen RIP
Thursday	24th	9.00am	Bill Woods RIP
Christmas Eve		5.30pm	Christmas Intentions
		9.00pm	Christmas Intentions
	12	Midnight	Private Intention
Christmas Day		10.00am	Christmas Intentions

Feast of the Holy Family

Saturday	26th	5.30 pm	Andrew Vine RIP
Sunday	27th	9.30 am	Fr Des Power RIP
		11.00 am	People of the Parish

Masses received this week: Clem RIP, Clare, Alan & Geoff Richards. Maria Gordon RIP, Doreen McNicholas RIP

Enrolled into Mass Association this week: Elsie Harrison and Dawn Finlay, Catherine Riley RIP.

We entrust these and all our Intentions to the heart of our community of prayer.

The Sanctuary Lamp this week will be burning for:
Brian Beeley RIP

The Marian Lamp this week will be burning for:
Harry And Michael Powell RIP

The St Paschal Baylon Lamp will be burning for:
Alice and Syd Williams RIP



Thank you

I am very grateful to all our volunteer stewards for helping out each week, in particular for assisting at our Christmas liturgies—allowing an extra mass to be celebrated. Without the help of our volunteers our Church could not open. A huge thankyou for your continued willingness to serve our parish in this way.

Fr. Colin

A big Thank you also to Wavertree Christmas Trees who kindly donated a beautiful Christmas tree which is now on Sanctuary and Mr Kevin Mc Neece who donated the children's tree in the church porch.

Christmas Decorations

A local shop at the Fiveways 'Childwall Emporium' run by a parishioner has a top selling box set of six Christmas Liverpool themed wooden decorations for £20. If you buy through the Church £7 will be donated to parish funds. You can do this in two ways. Purchase the box set in the Church porch or visit the shop from Tuesday and ask for your name to be put on the list which will be returned to the parish office along with the money raised.

Christmas Intention Tree Star decorations are available at the back of church for you to fill in at home and can be placed on the tree in the porch

Parish Office Hours

Please note, the parish office will close on **Wednesday 23rd December at 12.00noon** . Normal office hours will resume on **Monday 4th January.**

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Christ the King Christmas Mass All masses are now fully booked

Due to the Government guidelines regarding the Coronavirus this years Christmas Masses will have to be ticket only.



Christmas Eve: 5.30pm 9.00pm Midnight: 12.00
Carols from 11.30pm

Christmas Day: 10.00am

Tickets can be collected from the Church Porch this weekend Saturday 19th/ Sunday 20th December Masses and the parish office Monday 21st and Tuesday 22nd during office hours.

Before the midnight Mass we will gather in the grounds of the Church for a short carol service beginning at 11.30pm
Please wrap up well
Face Masks or Visors must be worn!

ADVENT REFLECTIONS

During the weeks of Advent our Seminarian, Hugh, will be leading us in a series of prayerful reflections which will include Exposition and conclude with Benediction. Final reflection will take place today 20th December beginning at 5 pm and will last for approx. 30 minutes. All are very welcome to attend.

Volunteer Helpers, Holly, Ivy & Laurel

We would greatly appreciate any offers of help from any parishioners to help decorate the Church for Christmas on Tuesday 22nd December from 9.45am onwards.

Donations of seasonal greenery for the Christmas decoration of our church would also be very welcome. If you feel you may be able to help, please leave any contributions which you may have at the back of the Church next weekend. Many thanks.

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Please remember in your prayers the sick, housebound and all in our hospitals and homes.

Baby Bethan Cooper, Mrs Sue Williams, Matthew Goodwin, Michael Fardey, Josephine Smith, Abigail Macey, Mrs Clare Battiste, Patricia Prentice.

If you know of any Parishioner who would like to be remembered in the prayers of the Parish please pass the details into the Parish Office.

Anniversaries: Bill Horley, Monica Twist, Thelma Barton, John Rice, Lorna Berry, Charles McVey, Tony Larkin.

Due to practicalities, anniversaries will be noted in the newsletter for up to 5 years after death. Thereafter they will be remembered in the priest's private prayer.

Baptisms: This week we welcome into the Church
Phoebe Kate McNeece and Jack Edward Selby

Weekly Collection:

Thank you to everyone who passed in collection envelopes during lockdown, your contributions are very much appreciated. You can now also donate on-line via the Parish website: www.ckandol.org If you would like to donate via Standing Order, please contact the Parish Office for a form.

Track and Trace

Following Government Guidelines we are being advised to use Track and Trace.

The NHS QR code is available to use.

If you cannot scan the code please sign in leaving your details. Forms are in the church porch.

Christmas Track and Trace

Please put your contact details on the reverse of your Christmas mass tickets



Saints of the Day

21st December—St Peter Canisius. Peter was a Dutch Jesuit and associate of St Ignatius. Through his preaching and popular catechism he won back many lapsed and wavering Catholics to the Church during the Counter-reformation. He died in 1597 and is acclaimed as the “second apostle of Germany”

23rd December - St John of Kanty. St John was born in Kanty in Poland on 23rd June 1390. As a priest he lectured at the university, lived an austere life and showed great charity to the poor. Certain people were envious of his reputation and influential in removing him from his post. He spent another eight years serving a parish until his death on 24th December 1473. John taught his students “Fight all error, but do it with good humour, kindness and love. Harshness will damage your own soul and spoil the best cause.

26th December—St Stephen or Stephan, traditionally venerated as the Protomartyr or first martyr of Christianity, was according to the Acts of the Apostles a deacon in the early church at Jerusalem who aroused the enmity of members of various synagogues by his teachings. Accused of blasphemy, at his trial he made a long speech denouncing the Jewish authorities who were sitting in judgement on him and was then stoned to death. His martyrdom was witnessed by Saul of Tarsus, a Pharisee who would later himself become a follower of Jesus.

WINNING TICKETS FROM OUR CHRISTMAS DRAW WILL BE DRAWN AFTER TODAY'S Advent Reflection Tickets still on sale this weekend

All money raised will go towards Missionary Sisters, Seel Street, Liverpool

Polite Notice

Everyone who enters the church for mass/funerals/baptism etc must wear a mask or visor. Our Volunteer stewards who are following government guidelines should not be subjected to abuse when approaching someone who is not wearing a mask and following the rules that have been set out. Thank you.

Christ the King Catholic Primary School

Admissions for September 2021

If your child is due to start Reception in September 2021 you can apply online via www.liverpool.gov.uk. The closing **date for Reception is: Friday 15th January 2021.** You will also need to complete the supplementary faith form and return this to school along with the Baptismal Certificate. Our admissions email for 2021 is: intake2021@ctkliverpool.co.uk. If you have any questions please contact the school on 01517223462 and speak to Mrs Carter.

Christmas Remembrance

In order that everyone has a chance to have Holy Mass offered for their loved ones over the Christmas period our Three Christmas masses will be celebrated as Christmas Intentions. Christmas Remembrance lists are available at the back of the church. Please put the names of any loved ones you wish to be remembered at Christmas on a list in an envelope and return it to us. Your donations can be gift aided by putting your Gift Aid order number on the envelope. A box will be on the altar during this period, if you would like the name of a loved one or a particular intention to be placed in the box please pass them in to the office marked Christmas intentions.

The CAFOD Fun Run is back again this year and it will certainly be a 'Fun Run Like No Other!' Sunday 27th December, 2020

For the past 36 years we have given everyone the opportunity to work off their Christmas dinners at our fun runs in Liverpool and Bollington and help raise vital funds for CAFOD. Following in the footsteps of other events in 2020, we are taking the event online and asking you to participate wherever you are around the country.

Take to the streets in your local area to run, walk or toddle 5k (or whatever distance you wish - it's the taking part that counts) to help raise vital funds for CAFOD. Register now. There is no entry fee - we're asking you to kindly raise sponsorship or make a donation from you and your family. Email : liverpool@cafod.org.uk